

(Senate Bill No. 74.)

An Act providing for the creation of Okeechobee County, in the State of Florida, and for the organization and the government thereof.

Beg to report that the same has been presented to the Governor for his approval.

Very respectfully,

J. M. GORNTO,
Chairman of Committee.

Mr. Johnson moved that the Senate do now adjourn to 10 o'clock A. M. tomorrow.

Which was agreed to.

Thereupon the Senate stood adjourned to 10 o'clock A. M., Wednesday, May 9, 1917.

Wednesday, May 9, 1917.

The Senate met pursuant to adjournment.

The President in the chair.

The roll being called, the following Senators answered to their names:

Mr. President, Senators Alexander, Andrews, Baker, Calkins, Carlton, Crawford, Davis, Eaton, Farris, Fogarty, Gornito, Greene, Hughlett, Igou, Jones, King, Mathis, McEachern, McLeod, MacWilliams, Middleton, Moore, Oliver, Plympton, Roland, Sheppard, Terrell, Turner Wells, Willis, Wilson.—32.

A quorum present.

Prayer by the Chaplain.

Reading of the Journal dispensed with.

Journal of May 8 was corrected, and approved as corrected.

By request of Mr. Farris, Senate Bill No. 269, which was laid on the table under the rule, was restored to the Calendar of Bills on the Second Reading.

ENROLLED.

The President announced that he was about to sign—

(House Bill No. 75.)

"An Act making appropriations for the eradication and control of citrus canker and other dangerous plant diseases and insects which have been or may be intro-

duced into the State of Florida, and to be used and expended under the direction of the State Plant Board, according to the provisions of Chapter 6883 of the Laws of the State of Florida, approved April 30, 1915."

Also—

(House Bill No. 341.)

"An Act to prescribe the time for holding the terms of circuit court in and for the Fourth Judicial Circuit of Florida."

Also—

(House Bill No. 439.)

"An Act authorizing the Board of County Commissioners of Washington County, Florida, to issue interest-bearing warrants in the aggregate sum of twenty thousand dollars, for the purpose of paying the outstanding indebtedness of Washington County, Florida, and to create a sinking fund for the payment of the principal and interest on said warrants and to provide for the retirement of same."

Also—

(House Bill No. 573.)

"An Act to authorize the County Board of Public Instruction for the County of Manatee, State of Florida, to borrow money for the payment of outstanding school warrants or for the purpose of paying the expenses incurred in operating the schools of Manatee County, to pay interest upon said loans not exceeding eight per cent (8%) per annum, and to limit the borrowing capacity of said board."

The Acts were therefore duly signed by the President and Secretary of the Senate, and ordered returned to the Chairman of the Joint Committee on Enrolled Bills to convey to the Governor for his approval.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES.

Mr. Wilson, Chairman of the Committee on Engrossed Bills, submitted the following report:

Senate Chamber,
Tallahassee, Fla., May 8, 1917.

Hon. J. B. Johnson,
President of the Senate.

Sir:

Your Committee on Engrossed Bills, to whom was referred—

Senate Amendments to House Bill No. 127:

A Bill to be entitled An Act to add to the Internal Improvement Fund lands of the State of Florida, certain lands and accretions and sand bars and banks in the tidal waters of the County of Pinellas; to provide for the disposition of same by the Trustees of the Internal Improvement Fund and to regulate the use and improvement of same.

Have examined the same and find it correctly engrossed.

Very respectfully,

A. M. WILSON,
Chairman of Committee.

And Senate Amendments to House Bill No. 127, with the Bill, contained in the above report, was placed on Calendar of Bills on Third Reading.

Mr. Wilson, Chairman of the Committee on Engrossed Bills, submitted the following report:

Senate Chamber,
Tallahassee, Fla., May 8, 1917.

Hon. J. B. Johnson,
President of the Senate.

Sir:

Your Committee on Engrossed Bills, to whom was referred—

Senate Amendments to House Bill No. 410:

A Bill to be entitled An Act to protect and regulate the game, wild animals and birds of the State of Florida, and to provide for the enforcement of this Act.

Have examined the same and find it correctly engrossed.

Very respectfully,

A. M. WILSON,
Chairman of Committee.

And House Bill No. 410, with the Senate Amendments thereto, contained in the above report, was placed on Calendar of Bills on Third Reading.

Mr. Davis, Chairman of the Committee on Judiciary A, submitted the following report:

Senate Chamber,
Tallahassee, Fla., May 8, 1917.

Hon. J. B. Johnson,

President of the Senate.

Sir:

Your Committee on Judiciary A, to whom was referred—

Senate Bill No. 429:

A Bill to be entitled An Act to provide on what conditions corporations may engage in the business of certifying to the ownership of title to real property, or of guaranteeing such titles, or of guaranteeing the owners of real property against loss by reason of defective title thereto, or encumbrances thereon, or of guaranteeing the validity of mortgages and mortgage notes secured by real property, and providing penalties for violations of the provisions of this Act.

Have had the same under consideration, and offer in lieu thereof the following Substitute, and recommend that the Substitute do pass:

Committee Substitute—

A Bill to be entitled An Act to provide on what conditions individuals, firms or corporations may engage in the business of certifying to the ownership of title to real property, or of guaranteeing such titles, or guaranteeing the owners of real property against loss by reason of defective title thereto, or encumbrances thereon, or of guaranteeing the validity of mortgages and mortgage notes secured by real property, and providing penalties for violations of the provisions of this Act.

Also—

Senate Bill No. 427:

A Bill to be entitled An Act to amend Article 14, Section 3, of Chapter 6155 of the Laws of Florida, as amended by Chapter 6425, Laws of Florida, entitled "An Act for the incorporation, powers, duties and liabilities of trust and security companies, and to regulate the same," approved June 5, 1911. Amendment approved June 7, 1913.

Have had the same under consideration, and recom-

mend in lieu thereof Committee Substitute for same, and recommend that the Substitute do pass.

Very respectfully,

C. E. DAVIS,
Chairman of Committee.

And Senate Bill No. 429, with Substitute, and Senate Bill No. 427, with Substitute, contained in the above report, were placed on Calendar of Bills on Second Reading.

Mr. Davis, Chairman of the Committee on Judiciary A, submitted the following report:

Senate Chamber,
Tallahassee, Fla., May 8, 1917.

Hon. J. B. Johnson,
President of the Senate.

Sir:

Your Committee on Judiciary A, to whom was referred—

House Bill No. 126:

A Bill to be entitled An Act to encourage and secure the construction of one or more lines of railway and toll bridges across Tampa Bay, or Old Tampa Bay, and to grant a right of way over and authorize the filling in of the submerged and other lands belonging to the State of Florida in, upon or adjacent to the waters of Tampa Bay, or Old Tampa Bay, for the use of any common carrier undertaking the construction of such line or lines of railway or toll bridge, and granting the right to construct buildings, wharfs, docks and depots thereon in connection with and as a part of the facilities of any such common carrier constructing or maintaining such line or lines of railway and toll bridge.

Have had the same under consideration and recommend that it do pass.

Also—

Senate Bill No. 352:

A Bill to be entitled An Act relating to the appointment of receivers in cases of the death, resignation, or removal of receivers theretofore appointed by the Courts of this State.

Have had the same under consideration, and recommend that it do pass.

Very respectfully,

C. E. DAVIS,
Chairman of Committee.

And House Bill No. 126 and Senate Bill No. 352, contained in the above report, were placed on Calendar of Bills on Second Reading.

Mr. Davis, Chairman of the Committee on Judiciary A, submitted the following report:

Senate Chamber,
Tallahassee, Fla., May 8, 1917.

Hon. J. B. Johnson,
President of the Senate.

Sir:

Your Committee on Judiciary A, to whom was referred—

Senate Bill No. 122:

A Bill to be entitled An Act providing for the establishment of a Bureau of Labor Statistics, and the appointment of a Commissioner.

Have had the same under consideration, and recommend that it do not pass.

Also—

House Bill No. 227:

A Bill to be entitled An Act fixing the compensation of County Commissioners in the counties having a population of from thirty-seven thousand up to fifty thousand persons.

Have had the same under consideration, and recommend that it do not pass.

Also—

House Bill No. 230:

A Bill to be entitled An Act to amend Section 775 of the General Statutes of the State of Florida, as amended by Chapter 6240 of the Acts of the Legislature of 1911, relating to compensation of County Commissioners.

Have had the same under consideration, and recommend that it do not pass.

Very respectfully,

C. E. DAVIS,
Chairman of Committee.

And Senate Bill No. 122 was placed on the table, under the rule, and House Bills Nos. 227 and 230, contained in the above report, were placed on Calendar of Bills on the Second Reading.

Mr. J. M. Gornto, Chairman of the Committee on Enrolled Bills, submitted the following report:

Senate Chamber,
Tallahassee, Fla., May 9, 1917.

Hon. J. B. Johnson,
President of the Senate.

Sir:

Your Committee on Enrolled Bills, to whom was referred—

(House Bill No. 444.)

An Act to provide for the condemnation and removal of decayed, unsightly, dangerous or unlawful buildings, ruins, awnings, porches or structures within the limits of the City of Orlando.

Also—

(House Bill No. 611.)

An Act amending Section 1, Chapter 5812, Laws of Florida, in relation to the boundaries of the municipality of Key West, and for the exclusion of certain parts of the Island of Key West from said municipality.

Also—

(House Bill No. 32.)

An Act providing for and setting aside certain lands to the Seminole Indians as a reservation, providing for trustees, in whom the title to said lands shall be vested for the use and benefit of said Indians.

Also—

(House Bill No. 426.)

An Act to abolish the present municipal government of the Town of Lake Worth, in Palm Beach County, Florida; to create and establish a new municipality to be known as the Town of Lake Worth, in Palm Beach County, Florida; to legalize and validate the ordinances of said Town of Lake Worth, and official acts thereunder; and to fix and provide its territorial limits, jurisdiction and powers, and the jurisdiction and powers of its officers.

Have carefully examined the same, and find them correctly enrolled.

Very respectfully,
J. M. GORNTO,
Chairman of Committee.

And the Acts contained therein were referred to the Joint Committee on Enrolled Bills.

Mr. J. M. Gornto, Chairman of the Joint Committee on Enrolled Bills, submitted the following report:

Senate Chamber,
Tallahassee, Fla., May 9, 1917.

Hon. J. B. Johnson,
President of the Senate.

Sir:

Your Joint Committee on Enrolled Bills, to whom was referred—

(House Bill No. 444.)

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and to fix and provide its territorial limits, jurisdiction and powers, and the jurisdiction and powers of its officers."

Have carefully examined the same, and find them correctly enrolled.

Very respectfully,

J. M. GORNTO,
Chairman of Committee.

And the Acts contained in the above report were ordered referred to the Joint Committee on Enrolled Bills, to be conveyed to the House of Representatives for the signatures of the Speaker and Chief Clerk thereof.

Mr. J. M. Gornto, Chairman of the Joint Committee on Enrolled Bills, submitted the following report:

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Beg leave to report that the same have been duly signed by the Speaker and Chief Clerk of the House of Representatives, and are herewith presented to the Senate for the signatures of the President and Secretary thereof.

Very respectfully,

J. M. GORNTO,
Chairman of Committee.

Mr. J. M. Gornto, Chairman of the Committee on Enrolled Bills, submitted the following report:

Senate Chamber,
Tallahassee, Fla., May 9, 1917.

Hon. J. B. Johnson,
President of the Senate.

Sir:

Your Committee on Enrolled Bills, to whom was referred—

(Senate Bill No. 374.)

An Act to validate a certain contract for purchase of a poor farm, entered into on the 11th day of December, A. D. 1916, by the County of Osceola and the County Commissioners of Osceola County, and all the acts and instruments taken and made in connection therewith.

Also—

(Senate Bill No. 28.)

An Act prohibiting the issuing of writs of garnishment in any action sounding in tort.

Also—

(Senate Bill No. 249-A.)

An Act to create, establish and incorporate a drainage

and reclamation district to be known and designated as the Port Tampa Drainage District, and define its boundaries; defining its purposes, powers, authorities, liabilities and privileges; to create a Board of Supervisors for said district, and to provide and prescribe its functions, powers, duties, authorities, liabilities and limitations; to authorize and provide for the construction and maintenance of ditches, canals, drains, dikes, reservoirs, seawalls, levees, fills and other works for the drainage, reclamation, filling in, and otherwise improving and benefiting the lands embraced in said district; to provide for the levying and assessing of taxes upon the lands embraced in said district, and for the enforcement of the collection thereof; to authorize the Board of Supervisors of said district to borrow money and to issue bonds and dispose of same to procure money to carry out the provisions of this Act; to preserve and protect the works and improvements constructed in said district hereunder, and to prescribe penalties for the violations of the provisions of this Act.

Have carefully examined the same and find them correctly enrolled.

Very respectfully,

J. M. GORNTO,
Chairman of Committee.

And the Acts contained therein were referred to the Joint Committee on Enrolled Bills.

Mr. J. M. Gornto, Chairman of the Joint Committee on Enrolled Bills, submitted the following report:

Senate Chamber,
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Have carefully examined the same, and find them correctly enrolled.

Very respectfully,

J. M. GORNTO,
Chairman of Committee.

And the Acts were then presented for the signatures of the President and Secretary of the Senate.

Mr. J. M. Gornto, Chairman of the Committee on Enrolled Bills, submitted the following report:

Senate Chamber,
Tallahassee, Fla., May 9, 1917.

Hon. J. B. Johnson,
President of the Senate.

Sir:

Your Committee on Enrolled Bills, to whom was referred—

(Senate Bill No. 389.)

"An Act to legalize and validate an election held in the County of Hillsborough, State of Florida, on the 31st day of October, A. D. 1916, to determine by majority of the votes cast at said election whether or not certain territory in said county shall be constituted into a special road and bridge district and bonds to the amount of \$30,000.00, as proposed by a resolution of the Board of County Commissioners, should be issued for the purpose of constructing two bridges in the said county, one over the Little Manatee River and one over the Alafia River on the Bayshore Road; to declare and render valid the said election, and the result as shown by the returns thereof, to cure all irregularities, illegalities, defects or omissions in all proceedings prior to the delivery of said bonds, to legalize and validate the advertisement of the said bonds for sale, and all proceedings had in reference to the same, and to authorize the issue of said bonds, drawing interest at 6% per annum, payable semi-annually and the sale of same."

Also—

(Senate Bill No. 393.)

"An Act to authorize the city of Tallahassee to use the balance of any fund derived from the sale of bonds for street improvements."

Also—

(Senate Bill No. 357.)

"An Act relating to the pay of road bond trustees and other road expenses under bond issue of July 25, 1916, or other bond issues hereafter had for road building in Taylor county, Florida."

Also—

(Senate Bill No. 413.)

"An Act to prohibit the catching of fresh water fish in the streams, lakes or ponds of Jackson County, Florida, during the months of April and May of each year, and providing punishment therefor."

Also—

(Senate Bill No. 392.)

"An Act to authorize the county of Leon to use and expend any portion of the one hundred thousand dollars appropriated for the construction of the Dixie Highway that may remain unexpended after completion of said highway."

Also—

(Senate Bill No. 403.)

"An Act to relieve the Board of County Commissioners of Escambia County, Florida; authorize them to expend the \$4,800.00 appropriated and set aside in the budget of 1916-17 for the completion of the Gulf Beach Highway, a public road in Escambia county.

Have carefully examined the same, and find them correctly enrolled.

Very respectfully,

J. M. GORNTO,
Chairman of Committee.

And the Acts contained therein were referred to the Joint Committee on Enrolled Bills.

Mr. J. M. Gornto, Chairman of the Joint Committee on Enrolled Bills, submitted the following report:

Senate Chamber.
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on the Bayshore Road; to declare and render valid the said election, and the result as shown by the returns thereof, to cure all irregularities, illegalities, defects or omissions in all proceedings prior to the delivery of said bonds, to legalize and validate the advertisement of the said bonds for sale, and all proceedings had in reference to the same, and to authorize the issue of said bonds, drawing interest at 6% per annum, payable semi-annually, and the sale of same.

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of Escambia County, Florida, authorize them to expend the \$4,800 appropriated and set aside in the budget of 1916-17 for the completion of the Gulf Beach Highway, a public road in Escambia County.

Have carefully examined the same, and find them correctly enrolled.

Very respectfully,
J. M. GORNTON,
Chairman of Committee.

And the Acts contained in the above report were ordered referred to the Joint Committee on Enrolled Bills.

Mr. Willis, Chairman of the Committee on Banking, submitted the following report:

Senate Chamber,
Tallahassee, Fla., May 9, 1917.

Hon. J. B. Johnson,
President of the Senate.

Sir:

Your Committee on Banking, to whom was referred—
Senate Bill No. 433:

A Bill to be entitled An Act to amend Section 2712, General Statutes of Florida, relating to the amount of indebtedness which banking and trust companies, and companies doing a banking business may be liable for at any time.

Have had the same under consideration and recommend that it do pass.

Very respectfully,
R. A. WILLIS,
Chairman of Committee.

And Senate Bill No. 433, contained in the above report, was placed on Calendar of Bills on Second Reading.

Mr. Willis, Chairman of the Committee on Banking, submitted the following report:

Senate Chamber,
Tallahassee, Fla., May 9, 1917.

Hon. J. B. Johnson,
President of the Senate.

Sir:

Your Committee on Banking, to whom was referred—
Senate Bill No. 238:

A Bill to be entitled An Act to establish and maintain

a depositors' guaranty fund to be created by levies on the capital stock of all banks created and existing under the laws of the State of Florida, to be used for liquidating deposits of such of said banks as may fail.

Have had the same under consideration and recommend its passage, with the following amendments:

1. In Section 2, line 4, strike out the words "one per cent" and insert in lieu thereof the following: "one-half of one per cent."

2. In Section 5, lines 2 and 9, strike out the words "two per cent" and insert in lieu thereof the following: "one per cent."

3. Add Section 15. Any bank created and existing under the laws of this State, who after securing permission from the Comptroller, may successfully liquidate themselves, will be entitled to a full refund of its pro rata share of the Depositors' Guaranty Fund. Provided, that this shall not be so construed as applying to any State Bank merging into a National Bank.

Very respectfully,

R. A. WILLIS,
Chairman of Committee.

And Senate Bill No. 238, with the Committee Amendments, contained in the above report, was placed on Calendar of Bills on Second Reading.

Mr. Calkins, Chairman of the Committee on Judiciary B, submitted the following report:

Senate Chamber,
Tallahassee, Fla., May 9, 1917.

Hon. J. B. Johnson,
President of the Senate.

Sir:

Your Committee on Judiciary B, to whom was referred—

Senate Bill No. 178:

A Bill to be entitled An Act to authorize the several Boards of County Commissioners of the State to borrow for the payment of current debts and expenses.

Also—

Senate Bill No. 193:

A Bill to be entitled An Act for the relief of S. A. Johnson of Pensacola, Florida.

Also—

Senate Bill No. 234:

A Bill to be entitled An Act concerning elections, and permitting absent voters to vote by mail.

Also—

Senate Bill No. 277:

A Bill to be entitled An Act to amend Sections 1944 and 1945 of the General Statutes of the State of Florida, relating to partition of lands.

Also—

Senate Bill No. 407:

A Bill to be entitled An Act to provide for the salaries and compensation of State Attorneys in the State of Florida.

Also—

Senate Bill No. 406:

A Bill to be entitled An Act to provide for the salaries and compensation of the Judges of the Criminal Court of Record in the State of Florida.

Also—

Senate Bill No. 414:

A Bill to be entitled An Act relating to the posting of advertisements, bills, notices, signs or posters, and prohibiting the same under certain circumstances, declaring the same to be a nuisance, and providing a penalty and punishment therefor.

Have had the same under consideration and recommend that they do not pass.

Very respectfully,

JAMES E. CALKINS,
Chairman of Committee.

And Senate Bills Nos. 178, 193, 234, 277, 407, 406 and 414, contained in the above report, were placed on the table, under the rule.

Mr. Calkins, Chairman of the Committee on Judiciary B, submitted the following report:

Senate Chamber,
Tallahassee, Fla., May 9, 1917.

Hon. J. B. Johnson,
President of the Senate.

Sir:

Your Committee on Judiciary B, to whom was referred—

House Bill No. 113:

A Bill to be entitled "An Act to provide for the creation of corporations to hold or conduct State fairs or expositions and to prescribe the powers thereof and the method of incorporating the same."

Have had the same under consideration and recommend that it do pass.

Very respectfully,

James E. CALKINS,
Chairman of Committee.

And House Bill No. 113, contained in the above report, was placed on Calendar of Bills on Second Reading.

Mr. Calkins, Chairman of the Committee on Judiciary B, submitted the following report:

Senate Chamber,
Tallahassee, Fla., May 9, 1917.

Hon. J. B. Johnson,
President of the Senate.

Sir:

Your Committee on Judiciary B, to whom was referred—

Senate Bill No. 371:

A Bill to be entitled "An Act making it unlawful for any person, firm or corporation to knowingly buy, sell, receive, dispose of, or conceal any motor-driven vehicle from which the manufacturer's serial number or other identification mark has been removed."

Also—

Senate Bill No. 375:

A Bill to be entitled "An Act to provide for the service

of process in suits brought in counties where the cause of action accrues."

Also—

Senate Bill No. 386:

A Bill to be entitled "An Act prohibiting the use of the name, badge, uniform or any other insignia of membership, and of any ritual or ceremony of certain orders or societies, or imitations thereof, to falsely indicate membership in any such order or society, or without due authority from such order or society; prescribing penalties therefor, and repealing Chapter 6502 of the Laws of Florida, relating to the same subject."

Also—

Senate Bill No. 404:

A Bill to be entitled "An Act to amend Chapter 6531 of the Laws of Florida, which is entitled 'An Act to amend Section 1571 of the General Statutes of the State of Florida relating to the selection, qualification and method of securing jurors in the courts of this State.'"

Also—

Senate Bill No. 424:

A Bill to be entitled "An Act in relation to the bonds of counties and municipalities."

Have had the same under consideration and recommend that they do pass.

Very respectfully,

James E. CALKINS,
Chairman of Committee.

And Senate Bills Nos. 371, 375, 386, 404 and 424, contained in the above report, were placed on Calendar of Bills on Second Reading.

Mr. Calkins, Chairman of the Committee on Judiciary B, submitted the following report:

Senate Chamber,
Tallahassee, Fla., May 9, 1917.

Hon. J. B. Johnson,
President of the Senate.

Sir:

Your Committee on Judiciary B, to whom was referred—

Senate Bill No. 405:

A Bill to be entitled An Act relating to wages of employees.

Have had the same under consideration, and recommend that it do pass, with the following Amendment:

In Section 1, line 13, after the word "employee" insert the following: "or to an employee or his, their or its authorized agents furnishing food, clothing or medical assistance to such employee or any member or members of his family."

Very respectfully,

JAMES E. CALKINS,
Chairman of Committee.

And Senate Bill No. 405, with Amendment thereto, contained in the above report, was placed on Calendar of Bills on Second Reading.

Mr. Calkins, Chairman of the Committee on Judiciary B, submitted the following report:

Senate Chamber,
Tallahassee, Fla., May 7, 1917.

Hon. J. B. Johnson,
President of the Senate.

Sir:

Your Committee on Judiciary B, to whom was referred—

Senate Bill No. 341:

A Bill to be entitled An Act prohibiting corporations, individuals or other persons to purchase, have in its or his possession or make sales of dynamite, nitro-glycerine, fulminate caps, other violent explosives or chemicals from which same are manufactured in any county of the State of Florida without a permit from the County Judge of the county in which said purchase, sales or possession is had; providing for fees for the County Judge for issuing said permits, and reports of purchases, sales and possession of violent explosives or material from which same are manufactured; to provide a penalty for the violation of the provisions of this Act.

Have had the same under consideration, and recommend that it do pass.

Very respectfully,

JAMES E. CALKINS,
Chairman of Committee.

And Senate Bill No. 341, contained in the above report, was placed on Calendar of Bills on Second Reading.

Mr. McLeod, Chairman of the Committee on Organized Labor, submitted the following report:

Senate Chamber,
Tallahassee, Fla., May 9, 1917.

Hon. J. B. Johnson,
President of the Senate.

Sir:

Your Committee on Organized Labor, to whom was referred—

Senate Bill No. 68:

A Bill to be entitled An Act to amend Sections 1, 2, 3 and 9 of Chapter 6488, Laws of Florida, Acts of 1913, being "An Act to regulate the employment of minor children in the State of Florida."

Have had the same under consideration, and return it without recommendation.

Very respectfully,

W. A. McLEOD,
Chairman of Committee.

And Senate Bill No. 68, contained in the above report, was placed on Calendar of Bills on Second Reading.

Mr. Calkins, Chairman of the Committee on Judiciary B, verbally reported Senate Bills Nos. 209 and 282 as unacted upon, and moved that said Bills be recommitted to the Committee on Judiciary B for further consideration.

Which was agreed to.

And the Bills were recommitted to the Committee on Judiciary B.

The President announced that he had appointed Mr. Mathis to visit the Old Soldiers' Home in Jacksonville, vice Mr. Terrell, Mr. Terrell having requested to be substituted.

INTRODUCTION OF BILLS.

By Mr. Terrell—
Senate Bill No. 451:

A Bill to be entitled An Act relating to the powers and duties of Trustees of Internal Improvement Fund of the State of Florida; to authorize and empower said Trustees of Internal Improvement Fund to purchase and exchange lands and accept title to certain lands in aid of the administration of said fund; to confirm exchanges and purchases heretofore made and titles accepted, with and from individuals, corporations, State Board of Education, and all grantees in the adjustments and settlements and conveyances thereunder with railroad and canal companies and corporations.

Which was read the first time by its title and referred to the Committee on Judiciary A.

By Mr. Terrell—
Senate Bill No. 452:

A Bill to be entitled An Act authorizing the Board of County Commissioners of Marion County, Florida, to expend all road and bridge funds raised in said county of Marion under the provisions of Section 850 of the General Statutes of Florida in the manner they deem fit and advisable.

Which was read the first time by its title and placed on the Calendar of Local Bills on the Second Reading.

By Mr. Terrell—
Senate Bill No. 453:

A Bill to be entitled An Act to amend Section 1587 of the General Statutes of Florida relative to meals for jurors.

Which was read the first time by its title and referred to the Committee on Judiciary A.

By Mr. Terrell—
Senate Bill No. 454:

A bill to be entitled An Act to amend Section 573 of the General Statutes of Florida, relating to the sale and redemption of tax certificates.

Which was read the first time by its title and referred to the Committee on Judiciary A.

By Mr. Alexander—
Senate Bill No. 455:

A Bill to be entitled An Act to prescribe the qualification of electors in municipal elections to be held in the municipality of the city of DeLand, Volusia county, Florida.

Which was read the first time by its title and referred to the Committee on Judiciary B.

By Mr. Carlton—
Senate Bill No. 456:

A Bill to be entitled An Act to amend Section 2645 (2121) of the General Statutes of State of Florida of 1906, relating to the number of directors of corporations.

Which was read the first time by its title and referred to the Committee on Judiciary A.

By Mr. Carlton—
Senate Bill No. 457:

A Bill to be entitled An Act concerning loan and investment companies, defining same and providing for their incorporation, powers and supervision.

Which was read the first time by its title and referred to the Committee on Judiciary A.

By Mr. Plympton—
Senate Bill No. 458:

A Bill to be entitled An Act authorizing an employer, in case of death of an employe, to pay to the widow, husband, child, father or mother of such employe, any wages that may be due him at the time of his death."

Which was read the first time by its title and referred to the Committee on Judiciary B.

By Mr. Plympton (by request)—
Senate Bill 459:

A Bill to be entitled An Act prohibiting trespassing upon railroad tracks, right-of-way or bridge.

Which was read the first time by its title and referred to the Committee on Judiciary B.

By Mr. Farris—
Senate Bill No. 460:

A Bill to be entitled An Act to prescribe the kind of

books which shall be used for the making of certain records in the offices of the clerks of the Circuit Court and County Judges in the several counties, and to subscribe conditions precedent to the payment therefor by the Boards of County Commissioners.

Which was read the first time by its title and referred to the Committee on Judiciary B.

By Mr. Crawford—
Senate Bill No. 461:

A Bill to be entitled An Act making it unlawful to catch fish in certain fresh water lakes in Ocoola County.

Which was read the first time by its title and placed on the Calendar of Local Bills on the Second Reading.

By Mr. Crawford—
Senate Bill No. 462:

A Bill to be entitled An Act to protect the flag from desecration.

Which was read the first time by its title and referred to the Committee on Judiciary B.

By Mr. King—
Senate Bill No. 463:

A Bill to be entitled An Act authorizing the Board of County Commissioners of Pasco County, Florida, to issue interest-bearing warrants in the aggregate sum of Thirty Thousand Dollars for the purpose of paying the outstanding indebtedness of Pasco County, Florida, and to create a sinking fund for the payment of the principal and interest on said warrants and to provide for the retirement of same.

Which was read the first time by its title.

Mr. King moved that the rules be waived and Senate Bill No. 463 be read a second time by its title only.

Which was agreed to by a two-thirds vote.

And Senate Bill No. 463 was read a second time by its title only.

Mr. King moved that the rules be further waived and that Senate Bill No. 463 be read a third time in full and put upon its passage.

Which was agreed to by a two-thirds vote.

And Senate Bill No. 463 was read a third time in full.

Upon call of the roll on the passage of the Bill the vote was:

Yeas—Mr. President, Senators Alexander, Andrews, Calkins, Carlton, Crawford, Eaton, Farris, Gornto, Greene, Hughlett, Igou, Jones, King, McEachern, MacWilliams, Middleton, Moore, Oliver, Plympton, Roland, Shepard, Terrell, Turner, Wells, Willis, Wilson—27.

Nays—None.

So the Bill passed, title as stated.

And the same was ordered to be certified to the House of Representatives immediately.

CONSIDERATION OF OTHER RESOLUTIONS.

House Concurrent Resolution No. 17:

Relative to requesting the Comptroller to furnish a list of continuing appropriations—

Was taken up and read the second time.

The question was put, and the Senate adopted the Resolution.

The action of the Senate was ordered to be certified to the House of Representatives.

MESSAGES FROM THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.

The following message from the House of Representatives was read:

House of Representatives,
Tallahassee, Fla., May 8, 1917.

Hon. J. B. Johnson,
President of the Senate.

Sir:

I am directed by the House of Representatives to inform the Senate that the House of Representatives has passed—

Senate Bill No. 29:

A Bill to be entitled An Act providing for the dissolution of writs of garnishment and regulating the procedure thereon.

Very respectfully,

R. A. GREEN,
Chief Clerk, House of Representatives.

And Senate Bill No. 29, contained in the above message, was read the first time by its title and referred to the Committee on Enrolled Bills.

Also—

The following message from the House of Representatives was read:

House of Representatives,
Tallahassee, Fla., May 8, 1917.

Hon. J. B. Johnson,
President of the Senate.

Sir:

I am directed by the House of Representatives to inform the Senate that the House of Representatives has passed—

Senate Bill No. 132:

A Bill to be entitled An Act to amend Section 1762 of the General Statutes of Florida, requiring the Clerk of the Supreme Court to furnish the Attorney General copies of head notes, opinions, statements of cases made by the Justices and briefs of opposition Counsel, together with certified copies of, or extracts from any other paper or records appertaining to any case decided by the Courts.

Also—

Senate Bill No. 63:

A Bill to be entitled An Act making it unlawful for any person or persons to interfere with recruiting in the Army or Navy of the United States of America, or in the National Guard or Naval Militia of the State of Florida; and prescribing penalties therefor.

Very respectfully,

R. A. GREEN,
Chief Clerk, House of Representatives.

And Senate Bills Nos. 132 and 63, contained in the above message, were read the first time by their titles and referred to the Committee on Enrolled Bills.

Also—

The following message from the House of Representatives was read:

House of Representatives,
Tallahassee, Fla., May 8, 1917.

Hon. J. B. Johnson,
President of the Senate.

Sir:

I am directed by the House of Representatives to inform the Senate that the House of Representatives has passed—

House Bill No. 242:

A Bill to be entitled An Act authorizing and directing the Board of State Institutions of the State of Florida to employ guards, detectives and secret service men for the purpose of guarding and protecting all public property and buildings belonging to the State of Florida, and to fix compensation therefor, and to appropriate moneys to defray the expense incurred thereby, and to empower all and singular the Sheriffs throughout the State of Florida with the consent of the Board of County Commissioners of their several counties to employ and deputize special deputies, detectives, secret service men and guards for the protection of all public property within their respective counties, and empowering the Board of County Commissioners to fix the compensation therefor and provide for the payment thereof.

And respectfully requests the concurrence of the Senate thereto.

Very respectfully,

R. A. GREEN,
Chief Clerk, House of Representatives.

And House Bill No. 242, contained in the above message, was read the first time by its title and referred to the Committee on Judiciary A.

ORDERS OF THE DAY.

The motion of Mr. Gornto to reconsider the vote by which the Senate adopted the following amendment to House Bill No. 410, offered by Mr. Wells, to-wit:

In Section 3, line 6, strike out the words "February 1st" and insert in lieu thereof the following: "March 1st."

Which motion was laid over under the rule.

Was taken up in its order.

By consent Mr. Gornto withdrew the motion to reconsider.

The motion of Mr. Gornto to reconsider the vote by which the Senate adopted the following amendment to House Bill No. 410, offered by Mr. Davis, to-wit:

In Section 9, line 5, strike out the words "February 1st" and insert in lieu thereof the following: "March 1st."

Which motion was laid over under the rule.

Was taken up in its order.

By consent Mr. Gornto withdrew the motion to reconsider.

The motion of Mr. Gornto to reconsider the vote by which the Senate refused to adopt the following amendment to House Bill No. 410, offered by Mr. Turner, to-wit:

In Section 23, line 8, strike out the words "five dollars (\$5.00)" and insert in lieu thereof the following: "Seven dollars and fifty cents (\$7.50)."

Was taken up in its order.

The question was put and the Senate reconsidered its vote.

The amendment was placed before the Senate.

The question was put and the amendment was not agreed to.

The motion of Mr. Gornto to reconsider the vote by which the Senate refused to adopt the following amendment to House Bill No. 410, offered by Mr. Wells, to-wit:

In Section 22, line 13 and 14, strike out the words "two dollars and fifty cents" and figures "\$2.50," and insert in lieu thereof the following: "One dollar and twenty-five cents (\$1.25)."

Which motion was laid over under the rule.

Was taken up in its order.

The question was put and the Senate refused to reconsider, its vote on the amendment.

The motion of Mr. Gornto to reconsider the vote by which the Senate adopted the following amendment to House Bill No. 410, offered by Mr. Davis, to-wit:

In Section 35, line 10, strike out the words "two thousand five hundred dollars (\$2,500)" and insert in lieu thereof the following: "Eighteen hundred dollars (\$1,800)."

Which motion was laid over under the rule.

Was taken up in its order.

The question was put and the Senate reconsidered its vote.

The amendment was placed before the Senate.

The question was put and the the Senate refused to agree to the amendment.

Mr. Gornto moved to waive the rules and place House Bill No. 410 back on the Second Reading.

Which was agreed to by a two-thirds vote.

And —

House Bill No. 410:

A Bill to be entitled An Act to protect and regulate the game, wild animals and birds of the State of Florida and to provide for the enforcement of this Act.

Was again placed before the Senate.

Mr. Oliver offered the following amendment to House Bill No. 410:

In Section 35, add: "Provided, that nothing herein shall prevent first assistant from discharging any duty or duties that may devolve upon him under the provisions of any other Act of the Legislature; and, provided further, that if the said first assistant should receive compensation under the provision of any other Act of the Legislature he shall not receive the compensation provided herein."

Mr. Oliver moved to adopt the amendment.

Which was agreed to.

Mr. Gornto offered the following amendment to House Bill No. 410:

Strike out all of Section 23.

Mr. Gornto moved to adopt the amendment.

Which was agreed to.

Mr. Gornto offered the following amendment to House Bill No. 410:

Strike out the words "November 20th" where the same appears in the Bill as the beginning of the open or hunting season, and insert the following: "December 1st."

Mr. Gornto moved to adopt the amendment.

Which was agreed to.

Mr. MacWilliams offered the following amendment to House Bill No. 410:

Wherever "Board of Commissioners of State Institutions" appear substitute "the Governor."

Mr. MacWilliams moved to adopt the amendment.

Which was not agreed to.

Mr. Gornto offered the following amendment to House Bill No. 410:

Rearrange all subsequent numbered Sections after Section 22 to conform in number.

Mr. Gornto moved to adopt the amendment.

Which was agreed to.

And the amendments to House Bill No. 410 were referred to the Committee on Engrossed Bills.

BILLS ON SECOND READING.

Senate Bill No. 354:

A Bill to be entitled An Act relating to the tenure of office of all officers who are required by law to be appointed by the Governor and confirmed by the Senate or to be appointed by the Governor by and with the consent of the Senate.

Was taken up and was read the second time in full.

Mr. MacWilliams moved to indefinitely postpone the Bill.

Upon which a yea and nay vote was demanded.

The roll was called and the vote was:

Yeas—Senators Alexander, Andrews, Baker, Carlton, Crawford, Farris, McLeod, MacWilliams, Sheppard, Terrell—10.

Nays—Mr. President, Senators Calkins, Davis, Eaton, Fogarty, Gornto, Greene, Hughlett, Igou, Jones, King, McEachern, Middleton, Moore, Oliver, Plympton, Roland, Turner, Wells, Willis, Wilson—21.

So the Senate refused to indefinitely postpone the Bill.

Mr. Wells moved that the rules be waived and that Senate Bill No. 354 be read a third time in full and put upon its passage.

Which was agreed to by a two-thirds vote.

And Senate Bill No. 354 was read a third time in full.

Upon call of the roll on the passage of the Bill the vote was:

Yeas—Mr. President, Senators Calkins, Davis, Eaton, Fogarty, Gornto, Greene, Hughlett, Igou, Jones, King, McEachern, Middleton, Moore, Oliver, Plympton, Roland, Turner, Wells, Willis, Wilson—21.

Nays—Senators Aleander, Andrews, Baker, Carlton, Crawford, Farris, McLeod, MacWilliams, Sheppard, Terrell—10.

So the Bill passed, title as stated.

And the same was ordered to be certified to the House of Representatives.

Senate Bill No. 349:

A Bill to be entitled An Act relating to fees and com-

pensation in cases of suspension from office; carrying into effect the provisions of Section 15 of Article IV of the Constitution of the State of Florida as to compensation of officers suspended but not removed from office.

Was taken up and was read the second time in full.

The following Amendment of the Committee on Judiciary A was read, as follows:

Add at the end of Section 1 the following:

"Provided further, however, that the appointee may, upon ten days' notice to such suspended officer and to the officer with whom such funds may be deposited, apply by petition to the Circuit Judge of the county wherein such officer may reside, for an order requiring the official with whom the funds may be deposited to pay over to such appointee such compensation and fees; and the said Judge shall thereupon take testimony relative to the cause of suspension as stated in the order of suspension, and if, in the opinion of such Judge, there is probable cause for such suspension, he shall so order, and shall thereupon order and direct that such compensation and fees be paid to such appointee."

Mr. Davis moved to adopt the Amendment.

Which was agreed to.

There being no further Amendment offered, Senate Bill No. 349 was referred to the Committee on Engrossed Bills.

Senate Bill No. 265:

A Bill to be entitled An Act prohibiting the use of the public roads of this State for traffic of an unusual or destructive character.

Was taken up and was read the second time in full.

The following substitute of the Committee on Public Roads and Highways was read, having the following title:

Committee Substitute for—

Senate Bill No. 265:

A Bill to be entitled An Act prohibiting the use of the public roads of this State for traffic of an unusual or destructive character.

Mr. Middleton moved to waive the rules and that the Committee Substitute for Senate Bill No. 265 be read the second time in full.

Which was agreed to by a two-thirds vote.

And the Substitute Bill was read the second time in full.

Mr. McEachern offered the following amendment to Senate Bill No. 265:

Strike out Section 3 and insert in lieu thereof the following:

Sec. 3. Hard surfaced public roads, as defined by this Act, shall be construed to be brick, concrete, asphaltic or bituminous surfaced roads which are maintained by county or State funds.

Mr. McEachern moved to adopt the amendment.

Which was agreed to.

Mr. Middleton moved to adopt the Substitute offered for Senate Bill No. 265 as above amended.

Which was agreed to.

And the Substitute Bill as amended was adopted in lieu of the original Bill.

Mr. Sheppard moved to indefinitely postpone Senate Bill No. 265:

By unanimous consent—

Mr. Davis offered the following amendment to Senate Bill No. 265:

In Section 1 insert a comma after the word "surfaces," in line 6, and also after the word "tires," in line 6, printed bill.

Mr. Davis moved to adopt the amendment.

Which was agreed to by a two-thirds vote.

The question then recurred upon the motion of Mr. Sheppard to indefinitely postpone the Substitute Bill.

Upon which a yea and nay vote was demanded.

The roll was called and the vote was:

Yeas — Senators Alexander, Baker, Farris, Gornto, Greene, Jones, McEachern, Moore, Oliver, Plympton, Roland, Sheppard, Wells—13.

Nays — Mr. President, Senators Carlton, Crawford, Eaton, Fogarty, Hughlett, Igou, King, MacWilliams, Middleton, Terrell, Turner, Willis, Wilson—14.

So the Senate refused to indefinitely postpone the Bill.

And Substitute for Senate Bill No. 265, as amended, was referred to the Committee on Engrossed Bills.

By unanimous consent—

Senate Bill No. 14:

A Bill to be entitled An Act assenting to and accepting

the provisions of An Act of Congress, approved July 11, A. D. 1916, the same being entitled "An Act to provide that the United States shall aid the States in the construction of rural post roads, and for other purposes," and all acts supplementary thereto; and making appropriations to meet the conditions of the Federal Aid Road Act, and providing an assessment of a half a mill on all of the taxable property in this State to meet the same."

Was taken up.

By unanimous consent—

Mr. Middleton offered the following Amendment to Senate Bill No. 14:

In Section 2, line 26, strike out the words "supplement or."

Mr. Middleton moved to adopt the Amendment.

Which was agreed to by a two-thirds vote.

By unanimous consent—

Mr. Middleton offered the following Amendment to Senate Bill No. 14:

In Section 3, line 4, strike out the words "supplemented or."

Mr. Middleton moved to adopt the Amendment.

Which was agreed to by a two-thirds vote.

And Senate Bill No. 14, as amended, was referred to the Committee on Engrossed Bills.

A message from the Governor was received.

By consent, the following communications from the Governor were taken from their order:

Executive Chamber.

Tallahassee, Fla., May 7, 1917.

Hon. J. B. Johnson,

President of the Senate.

Sir:

I have the honor to inform you that I have approved the following Acts which originated in your Honorable Body and have caused the same to be filed in the office of Secretary of State:

(Senate Bill No. 244.)

An Act to validate, ratify and confirm all outstanding unpaid fine and forfeitures warrants issued by the Board of County Commissioners and the Clerk of the Circuit Court of Citrus County, State of Florida, on and prior to January 1, A. D. 1917, providing for the reis-

suance of said warrants, the rate of interest to be allowed and the fund out of which same shall be paid.

Also—

(Senate Bill No. 30.)

An Act regulating the appearance of defendants in all suits brought in the Circuit Courts of the State of Florida in Chancery, whether defendants are served personally or by publication, and providing for the entry of decess *pro confesso* upon failure of the defendants to appear.

Also—

(Senate Bill No. 245.)

An Act to validate, ratify and confirm all outstanding unpaid warrants issued by the Board of County Commissioners of Citrus County, State of Florida, against Special Tax Road District No. 1, of Citrus County, on and prior to April 2, A. D. 1917, providing for the reissuance of said warrants, the rate of interest to be charged, the levying of a tax to pay the same and the fund against which the same is to be charged.

Also—

(Senate Bill No. 299.)

An Act providing for the protection of the roads and public highways of Seminole County, and prescribing the manner and mode of use of said highways by automobiles, motor trucks and other vehicles, providing for the regulation and operation of said vehicles on said highways and providing for a license tax to be paid for the operation of certain automobiles, motor trucks and vehicles using the roads and public highways of Seminole County, and providing a penalty for the violations of the provisions thereof.

Also—

(Senate Bill No. 359.)

An Act relating to the pay of the road engineer of Taylor County, Florida, in supervising the building of roads in pursuance of bond election held July 25, 1916.

Also—

(Senate Bill No. 243.)

An Act to validate, ratify and confirm all outstanding and unpaid warrants issued by the Board of County Commissioners of Citrus County, State of Florida, on and prior to April 2, 1917, against Special Tax Road District No. 4, of Citrus County, providing for the reissuance of said warrants, the rate of interest to be charged and the fund against which same shall be charged.

Also—

(Senate Bill No. 227.)

An Act to amend the charter of the City of Sarasota, being Chapter 6768, Acts of Florida, and Chapter 7241, Acts of 1915, Laws of Florida, by amending Sections 1 and 2 of said Chapter 7241, Acts of 1915, and adding two additional Sections to said Charter to be known as Section 39 (c) and Section 53 (b).

Respectfully,

SIDNEY J. CATTS,
Governor of Florida.

Executive Chamber,
Tallahassee, Fla., May 8, 1917.

Hon. J. B. Johnson,
President of the Senate.

Sir:

I have the honor to inform you that I have approved the following Acts which originated in your Honorable body and have caused the same to be filed in the office of Secretary of State:

(Senate Bill No. 317.)

An Act authorizing Duval County, Florida, to issue bonds for the construction of a bridge across the St. Johns River in said County; providing for the electors to determine whether said bridge shall be a free or a toll bridge, and prescribing how tolls and charges shall be fixed in the event a majority of the said electors shall vote for a toll bridge, and otherwise, and powers of eminent domain in said county in connection therewith.

Also—

(Senate Bill No. 74.)

An Act providing for the creation of Okeechobee

County in the State of Florida and for the organization and the government thereof.

Respectfully,
SIDNEY J. CATTS,
Governor of Florida.

Executive Chamber,
Tallahassee, Fla., May 7, 1917.

Hon. J. B. Johnson,
President of the Senate.

Sir:

I have the honor to inform you that I have approved the following Acts which originated in your Honorable body and have caused the same to be filed in the office of Secretary of State:

(Senate Bill No. 300.)

An Act to authorize and empower the Board of Public Instruction of St. Johns County, Florida, to issue interest-bearing coupon warrants for the purpose of securing negotiable warrants, thereby enabling said board to secure a lower rate of interest upon the outstanding indebtedness of the said board, and providing for the payment of said interest-bearing coupon warrants, and the cancellation of the present outstanding indebtedness of said board.

Also—

Senate Bill No. 305:

An Act to organize the County Court in the County of Pasco; to prescribe for the appointment of a prosecuting attorney for said court of record; to provide for the transfer of all causes now pending in the Circuit Court and the Justice of the Peace Court to said court for further consideration, which causes will be within the jurisdiction of said county court; to provide for the drawing of the first jury; to provide how judgments in said court shall become liens; to provide for the salaries and fees for the officers of said court, and to provide what officers shall be the officers of said court.

Also—

(Senate Bill No. 327.)

An Act to amend Section 2 of Chapter 6692 of the Laws of the State of Florida, entitled "An Act relating to the

government of the city of Gainesville, and conferring additional jurisdiction, powers and duties on said city, and creating certain offices."

Also—

(Senate Bill No. 99.)

An Act to amend Section 2193 of the General Statutes of the State of Florida relating to liens for materials furnished.

Also—

(Senate Bill No. 55.)

An Act to amend Section 2919 of the General Statutes of the State of Florida as amended by Chapter 5895 of the Acts of 1909, the same relating to the allowance of free or reduced rates of transportation by common carriers.

Respectfully,
SIDNEY J. CATTS,
Governor of Florida.

Executive Chamber,
Tallahassee, Fla., May 7, 1917.

Hon. J. B. Johnson,
President of the Senate.

Sir:

I have the honor to inform you that I have approved the following Act which originated in your honorable body and have caused the same to be filed in the office of Secretary of State:

(Senate Bill No. 369.)

An Act to prescribe the qualifications of electors in municipal elections to be held in the Town of Orange City, Florida.

Respectfully,
SIDNEY J. CATTS,
Governor of Florida.

Senate Bill No. 267:

A Bill to be entitled An Act to create a State convict road force and to authorize the working of certain prisoners on same; to provide for their housing, feeding, clothing, guarding and general care; to provide for their

transportation, supervision and the general conditions under which they shall be worked; and providing funds with which to carry into effect the general provisions thereof.

Was taken up and was read the second time in full.

The following Committee Substitute for the Bill was read:

Committee Substitute for Senate Bill No. 267:

A Bill to be entitled An Act to create a State convict road force and to authorize the working of certain prisoners on same; to provide for their housing, feeding, clothing, guarding and general care; to provide for their transportation, supervision and the general conditions under which they shall be worked.

Mr. Middleton moved to waive the rules and that the Substitute for Senate Bill No. 267 be read the second time.

Which was agreed to by a two-thirds vote.

And the Substitute Bill was read the second time in full.

Mr. Middleton moved to adopt the Committee Substitute for Senate Bill No. 267.

Which was agreed to.

And the Substitute for Senate Bill No. 267 was adopted in lieu of the original Bill.

Mr. Andrews moved to indefinitely postpone Substitute for Senate Bill No. 267.

Pending the consideration of which,

Mr. Davis moved to adjourn.

Which was agreed to.

Thereupon the Senate took a recess to 4 o'clock P. M. this day.

WEDNESDAY AFTERNOON—4 O'CLOCK.

The Senate convened pursuant to adjournment.

The President in the chair.

The roll being called, the following Senators answered to their names:

Mr. President, Senators Alexander, Andrews, Baker, Calkins, Carlton, Crawford, Davis, Eaton, Farris, Fogarty, Gornto, Greene, Hughlett, Igou, Jones, King, Mathis, McEachern, McLeod, Middleton, Moore, Oliver, Plymp-

ton, Roland, Sheppard, Terrell, Turner, Wells, Willis, Wilson—31.

A quorum present.

INTRODUCTION OF BILLS.

By permission, the following Bills were introduced:

By Mr. Terrell—

Senate Bill No. 464:

A Bill to be entitled An Act authorizing the Board of County Commissioners of Sumpter County, Florida, to use the surplus remaining from the proceeds of the sale of any special road and bridge district bond issue in said county for the purpose of widening or extending such roads and for other purposes pertaining thereto.

Which was read the first time by its title and placed on the Calendar of Local Bills on Second Reading.

By Mr. Terrell—

Senate Bill No. 465:

A Bill to be entitled An Act to amend Section 10 of Chapter 6208, Laws of Florida, said Chapter being An Act entitled, "An Act to authorize the counties of the State of Florida to create and constitute Special Road and Bridge Districts within said counties; and to issue bonds and levy and collect a special road and bridge district tax with which to pay for the construction, repair and maintenance of the roads and bridges within said special road and bridge districts," approved June 5, 1911.

Which was read the first time by its title and referred to the Committee on Judiciary A.

By Mr. Turner—

Senate Bill No. 466:

A Bill to be entitled An Act to amend Sections five, seven, eight, nine and thirteen of Chapter 6877, Acts of 1915, entitled An Act to protect and regulate the salt water fishing industry, of the State of Florida, and to provide penalties for the violation of this Act.

Which was read the first time by its title and referred to the Committee on Game and Fisheries.

By Mr. Turner—

Senate Bill No. 467:

A Bill to be entitled An Act to permit the use of pound nets in the salt waters of Levy County, Florida.

Which was read the first time by its title and placed on the Calendar of Local Bills on the Second Reading.

By Mr. Hughlett—

Senate Bill No. 468:

A Bill to be entitled An Act to create and incorporate a Special Taxing District to include and embrace all of the County of St. Lucie, in the State of Florida, and to be known and designated as the St. Lucie County Inlet District; to provide for the government and administration of the said St. Lucie County Inlet District; to define the powers and purposes of said district and of the Board of Commissioners thereof; to authorize said Board to construct an inlet in said district to connect the waters of the Atlantic Ocean with the waters of the Indian River; to construct all other works necessary or proper in connection with the inlet hereinbefore mentioned; to provide for the condemnation of any property needed for district purposes; to empower the Board of Commissioners of the St. Lucie County Inlet District to levy and collect taxes upon all the taxable property in said district for the purposes authorized by this Act; to authorize said Board to borrow money and to issue and sell bonds to procure money to carry out the provisions of this Act; to prevent injury to any works constructed under this Act, and to provide for criminal prosecution and punishment for any such injury; and generally to provide for the construction, protection and maintenance of an inlet in said district to connect the waters of the Atlantic Ocean with the waters of the Indian River.

Which was read the first time by its title.

Mr. Hughlett moved that the rules be waived and Senate Bill No. 468 be read a second time by its title only.

Which was agreed to by a two-thirds vote.

And Senate Bill No. 468 was read a second time by its title only.

Mr. Hughlett moved that the rules be further waived and that Senate Bill No. 468 be read a third time in full and put upon its passage.

Which was agreed to by a two-thirds vote.

And Senate Bill No. 468 was read a third time in full.

Upon call of the roll on the passage of the Bill the vote was:

Yeas—Mr. President, Senators Alexander, Andrews,

Baker, Crawford, Davis, Eaton, Farris, Gornto, Greene, Hughlett, Igou, Jones, King, McLeod, Middleton, Moore, Oliver, Plympton, Roland, Sheppard, Terrell, Turner, Wells, Willis, Wilson—26.

Nays—None.

So the Bill passed, title as stated.

And the same was ordered to be certified to the House of Representatives.

By Committee on Agriculture—

Senate Bill No. 469:

A Bill to be entitled An Act creating a marketing bureau of the State of Florida and creating the office of State Marketing Commissioner.

Which was read the first time by its title and was placed on the Calendar of Bills on the Second Reading.

By Mr. Jones (by request)—

Senate Bill No. 470:

A Bill to be entitled An Act for the relief of Lottie A. Eitzen, Ida P. Keller and Louise M. Rogers.

Which was read the first time by its title and referred to the Committee on Appropriations.

By Mr. Baker—

Senate Bill No. 471:

A Bill to be entitled An Act to amend the charter of the City of Green Cove Springs, Florida, by extending the territorial boundaries of said town, and to provide penalties for the carrying of concealed weapons and the selling of spirituous liquors or malts within the corporate limits thereof.

Which was read the first time by its title and placed on the Calendar of Local Bills on the Second Reading.

ENROLLED.

The President announced that he was about to sign—
(House Bill No. 444.)

An Act to provide for the condemnation and removal of decayed, unsightly, dangerous or unlawful buildings, ruins, awnings, porches or structures within the limits of the City of Orlando.

Also—

(House Bill No. 611.)

An Act amending Section 1, Chapter 5812, Laws of Florida, in relation to the boundaries of the municipality of Key West, and for the exclusion of certain parts of the Island of Key West from said municipality.

Also—

(House Bill No. 32.)

An Act providing for and setting aside certain lands to the Seminole Indians as a reservation, providing for trustees, in whom the title to said lands shall be vested for the use and benefit of said Indians.

Also—

(House Bill No. 426.)

An Act to abolish the present municipal government of the Town of Lake Worth, in Palm Beach County, Florida; to create and establish a new municipality to be known as the Town of Lake Worth, in Palm Beach County, Florida; to legalize and validate the ordinances of said Town of Lake Worth and official acts thereunder; and to fix and provide its territorial limits, jurisdiction and powers, and the jurisdiction and powers of its officers.

The Acts were therefore duly signed by the President and Secretary of the Senate, and ordered returned to the Chairman of the Joint Committee on Enrolled Bills to convey to the Governor for his approval.

Also—

The President announced that he was about to sign—
(Senate Bill No. 374.)

An Act to validate a certain contract for purchase of a poor farm, entered into on the 11th day of December, A. D. 1916, by the County of Osceola and the County Commissioners of Osceola County, and all the acts and instruments taken and made in connection therewith.

Also—

(Senate Bill No. 28.)

An Act prohibiting the issuing of writs of garnishment in any action sounding in tort.

Also—

(Senate Bill No. 249-A.)

An Act to create, establish and incorporate a drainage and reclamation district to be known and designated as the Port Tampa Drainage District, and define its boundaries; defining its purposes, powers, authorities, liabilities, and privileges; to create a Board of Supervisors for said district, and to provide and prescribe its functions, powers, duties, authorities, liabilities and limitations; to authorize and provide for the construction and maintenance of ditches, canals, drains, dikes, reservoirs, seawalls, levees, fills and other works for the drainage, reclamation, filling in, and otherwise improving and benefiting the lands embraced in said district; to provide for the levying and assessing of taxes upon the lands embraced in said district, and for the enforcement of the collection thereof; to authorize the Board of Supervisors of said district to borrow money and to issue bonds and dispose of same to procure money to carry out the provisions of this Act; to preserve and protect the works and improvements constructed in said district hereunder, and to prescribe penalties for the violations of the provisions of this Act.

Also—

(Senate Bill No. 389.)

An Act to legalize and validate an election held in the county of Hillsborough, State of Florida, on the 31st day of October, A. D. 1916, to determine by majority of the votes cast at said election whether or not certain territory in said county shall be constituted into a special road and bridge district and bonds to the amount of \$30,000.00, as proposed by a resolution of the Board of County Commissioners, should be issued for the purpose of constructing two bridges in the said county, one over the Little Manatee River, and one over the Alafia River on the Bayshore Road; to declare and render valid the said election, and the result as shown by the returns thereof, to cure all irregularities, illegalities, defects or omissions in all proceedings prior to the delivery of said bonds, to legalize and validate the advertisement of the said bonds for sale, and all proceedings had in reference

to the same, and to authorize the issue of said bonds, drawing interest at 6% per annum, payable semi-annually, and the sale of same."

Also—

(Senate Bill No. 393.)

"An Act to authorize the city of Tallahassee to use the balance of any fund derived from the sale of bonds for street improvements."

Also—

(Senate Bill No. 359.)

"An Act relating to the pay of road bond trustees and other road expenses under bond issue of July 25, 1916, or other bond issues hereafter had for road building in Taylor county, Florida."

Also—

(Senate Bill No. 413.)

"An Act to prohibit the catching of fresh water fish in the streams, lakes or ponds of Jackson county, Florida, during the months of April and May of each year, and providing punishment therefor."

Also—

(Senate Bill No. 392.)

"An Act to authorize the county of Leon to use and expend any portion of the one hundred thousand dollars appropriated for the construction of the Dixie Highway that may remain unexpended after completion of said highway."

Also—

(Senate Bill No. 403.)

"An Act to relieve the Board of County Commissioners of Escambia County, Florida; authorize them to expend the \$4,800.00 appropriated and set aside in the budget of 1916-17 for the completion of the Gulf Beach Highway, a public road in Escambia County."

The Acts were therefore duly signed by the President and Secretary of the Senate, and ordered returned to the Chairman of the Joint Committee on Enrolled Bills to convey to the House of Representatives for the signatures of the Speaker and Chief Clerk thereof.

By Permission—

Mr. Sheppard, Chairman of the Committee on Agriculture, submitted the following report:

Senate Chamber,
Tallahassee, Fla., May 9, 1917.

Hon. J. B. Johnson,

President of the Senate.

Sir:

Your Committee on Agriculture and Forestry, to whom was referred—

Senate Bill No. 421:

A Bill to be entitled An Act requiring the recording of marks and brands of hides of cattle or other domestic animals before shipment, and prohibiting railroads or other common carriers from receiving such hides for shipment without such inspection.

Have had the same under consideration and offer a Committee Substitute for same.

Very respectfully,

J. L. SHEPPARD,
Chairman of Committee.

And Senate Bill No. 421, with the Committee Substitute therefor, contained in the above report, was placed on Calendar of Bills on Second Reading.

By Permission—

Mr. Mathis, Chairman of the Committee on Education, submitted the following report:

Senate Chamber,
Tallahassee, Fla., May 9, 1917.

Hon. J. B. Johnson,

President of the Senate.

Sir:

Your Committee on Education, to whom was referred—

Senate Bill No. 225:

A Bill to be entitled An Act to require County Boards

of Public Instruction to advertise for bids for public work and for furnishing school supplies in certain cases, and providing a penalty for failure to advertise for bids.

Have had the same under consideration and recommend that it do pass, as amended.

Committee Amendments:

In Section 1, line 6, strike out the words "one hundred (\$100.00) dollars" and insert in lieu thereof the following: "three hundred (\$300.00) dollars."

Also—

In Section 1, line 9, insert after the word "bids" the following: "in some newspaper of general circulation in the county."

Also—

Add: "Section 4. This Act shall take effect upon its becoming a law."

Very respectfully,

C. C. MATHIS,
Chairman of Committee.

And Senate Bill No. 225, with the Committee Amendments, contained in the above report, was placed on Calendar of Bills on Second Reading.

By permission.

Mr. Wilson, Chairman of the Committee on Engrossed Bills, submitted the following report:

Senate Chamber,
Tallahassee, Fla., May 8, 1917.

Hon. J. B. Johnson,
President of the Senate.

Sir:

Your Committee on Engrossed Bills, to whom was referred—

Senate Bill No. 14:

A Bill to be entitled An Act assenting to and accepting the provisions of An Act of Congress approved July 11, A. D. 1916, the same being entitled: "An Act to provide that the United States shall aid the States in the construction of rural post roads, and for other purposes," and all Acts supplementary thereto; and making appropriations to meet the conditions of the Federal Aid Road

Act, and providing an assessment of a half-mill on all of the taxable property in this State to meet the same.

Have examined the same and find it correctly engrossed.

Very respectfully,

A. M. WILSON,
Chairman of Committee.

And Senate Bill No. 14, contained in the above report, was placed on Calendar of Bills on Third Reading.

By permission.

Mr. Wilson, Chairman of the Committee on Engrossed Bills, submitted the following report:

Senate Chamber,
Tallahassee, Fla., May 8, 1917.

Hon. J. B. Johnson,
President of the Senate.

Sir:

Your Committee on Engrossed Bills, to whom was referred—

Senate Amendments to House Bill No. 410:

A Bill to be entitled An Act to protect and regulate the game, wild animals and birds of the State of Florida and to provide for the enforcement of this Act.

Have examined the same and find it correctly engrossed.

Very respectfully,

A. M. WILSON,
Chairman of Committee.

And House Bill No. 410, contained in the above report, was placed on Calendar of Bills on Third Reading.

By permission—

Mr. Calkins, Chairman of the Committee on Judiciary B, submitted the following report:

Senate Chamber,
Tallahassee, Fla., May 9, 1917.

Hon. J. B. Johnson,
President of the Senate.

Sir:

Your Committee on Judiciary B, to whom was referred—

Senate Bill No. 62:

A Bill to be entitled An Act constituting eight hours as a legal day's work by persons employed or hereafter employed by or in behalf of the State of Florida or any county, city, township or other municipality in said State."

Also—

Senate Bill No. 61:

A Bill to be entitled An Act to regulate and limit insurance of injunctions and restraining orders against any person or persons while engaged in industrial disputes, by county, district or circuit judges in the State of Florida, or by any court over which they may preside.

Have had the same under consideration, and recommend that they do not pass.

Very respectfully,

JAMES E. CALKINS,
Chairman of Committee.

And Senate Bills Nos. 62 and 61, contained in the above report, were placed on the table, under the rule.

By permission—

Mr. Calkins, Chairman of the Committee on Judiciary B, submitted the following report:

Senate Chamber,
Tallahassee, Fla., May 9, 1917.

Hon. J. B. Johnson,
President of the Senate.

Sir:

Your Committee on Judiciary B, to whom was referred—

Senate Bill No. 458:

A Bill to be entitled An Act authorizing an employer, in case of death of an employee, to pay the widow, husband, child, father or mother of such employee, any wages that may be due him at the time of his death.

Also—

House Bill No. 23:

A Bill to be entitled An Act in relation to payment of deposits in two or more names.

Also—

House Bill No. 114:

A Bill to be entitled An Act relating to answers in chancery and to authorize the waiver of answers under oath, and to prescribe the effect of such answers.

Have had the same under consideration, and recommend that they do pass.

Very respectfully,

JAMES E. CALKINS,
Chairman of Committee.

And Senate Bill No. 458 and House Bills Nos. 114 and 23, contained in the above report, were placed on Calendar of Bills on Second Reading.

By permission.

Mr. Calkins, Chairman of the Committee on Judiciary B, submitted the following report:

Senate Chamber,
Tallahassee, Fla., May 9, 1917.

Hon. J. B. Johnson,
President of the Senate.

Sir:

Your Committee on Judiciary B, to whom was referred—

Senate Bill No. 462:

A Bill to be entitled "An Act to protect the flag from desecration."

Have same under consideration and report same unfavorably, as the committee has already acted upon a similar bill.

Very respectfully,

JAMES E. CALKINS,
Chairman of Committee.

And Senate Bill No. 462, contained in the above report, was placed on the table under the rule.

By permission.

Mr. Calkins, Chairman of the Committee on Judiciary B, submitted the following report:

Senate Chamber,
Tallahassee, Fla., May 9, 1917.

Hon. J. B. Johnson,
President of the Senate.

Sir:

Your Committee on Judiciary B, to whom was referred—

Senate Bill No. 440:

A Bill to be entitled "An Act to regulate the employment of females and fixing the minimum compensation to be paid them."

Also—

Senate Bill No. 447:

A Bill to be entitled "An Act to provide for the establishment and maintenance of the Florida State Orphanage and for the creation of the board of trustees to conduct and manage the same and to define their powers and prescribe their duties."

Also—

Senate Bill No. 449:

A Bill to be entitled "An Act to dispense with the requirement of private seals and subscribing witnesses to deeds and other instruments of conveyances."

Also—

Senate Bill No. 459:

A Bill to be entitled "An Act prohibiting trespassing upon railroad tracks, right of way or bridges."

Also—

Senate Bill No. 460:

A Bill to be entitled "An Act to prescribe the kind of books which shall be used for the making of certain records in the offices of the clerks of the Circuit Court and County Judges in the several counties, and to subscribe conditions precedent to the payment therefor by the Boards of County Commissioners."

Have had the same under consideration, and recommend that they do not pass.

Very respectfully,

JAMES E. CALKINS,
Chairman of Committee.

And Senate Bills Nos. 440, 447, 449, 459 and 460, contained in the above report, were placed on the table under the rule.

By Permission—

Mr. Calkins offered the following Resolution:

Senate Resolution No. 18:

That Joint Rule No. 2 be amended to read as follows:

Rule 2. That all Bills and Joint Resolutions hereafter passed by the Senate and House of Representatives shall be duly enrolled in black record ink by typewriting machines on paper by the Enrolling Clerk of the Senate or the Enrolling Clerk of the House, accordingly as the Bill or Joint Resolution may have originated in the one or the other house, before they shall be presented to the Governor or filed in the office of the Secretary of State. That the size, style and quality of the paper to be used shall be prescribed and furnished by the Secretary of State.

Mr. Calkins moved to adopt the Resolution.

Which was agreed to.

Mr. Middleton moved to waive the rules and that Senate Bill No. 14, just reported as engrossed by the Committee on Engrossed Bills, be immediately certified to the House of Representatives.

Which was agreed to by a two-thirds vote, and so ordered.

Mr. Sheppard moved that Senate Bill No. 450 be referred to the Committee on County Organization.

Which was agreed to.

And the Bill was so referred.

The motion of Mr. Andrews to indefinitely postpone Committee Substitute for Senate Bill No. 267, which was pending at recess hour,

Was taken up.

Mr. Andrews withdrew the motion to indefinitely postpone the Bill.

Mr. Middleton moved to waive the rules and place back on Second Reading Committee Substitute for Senate Bill No. 267.

Which was agreed to by a two-thirds vote.

Mr. Middleton moved to reconsider the vote by which the Committee Substitute for Senate Bill No. 267 was adopted.

Mr. Middleton moved to waive the rules and take up the motion to reconsider at once.

Which was agreed to by a two-thirds vote.

The question was put and the Senate reconsidered its action.

By unanimous consent, the further consideration of Senate Bill No. 267, and the Committee Substitute therefore, were passed over until 11 o'clock A. M., Thursday, May 10.

CONSIDERATION OF BILLS ON THE SECOND READING.

Senate Bill No. 89:

A Bill to be entitled An Act for the relief of George Lewis, Trustee for the estates of B. C. Lewis, William Bailey, John McDougall and P. B. Brokaw.

Was taken up and was read the third time in full.

Upon call of the roll on the passage of Senate Bill No. 89 the vote was:

Yeas—Senators Carlton, Davis, Fogarty, Jones, King, Mathis, MacWilliams, Middleton, Oliver, Turner, Wells, Wilson—13.

Nays — Mr. President, Senators Alexander, Andrews, Baker, Calkins, Crawford, Eaton, Farris, Gornto, Greene, Igou, McEachern, McLeod, Moore, Plympton, Roland, Sheppard, Willis—18.

So the Bill failed to pass.

Mr. Eaton moved that the Senate proceed to the consideration of executive business.

Which was agreed to, and the Senate doors were closed at 5:20 o'clock P. M.

The Senate doors were thrown open at 5:30 o'clock P. M.

The roll was called and the following Senators answered to their names:

Mr. President, Senators Alexander, Andrews, Baker, Carlton, Crawford, Davis, Eaton, Farris, Fogarty, Gornto, Greene, Hughlett, Igou, Jones, King, Mathis, McEachern, McLeod, MacWilliams, Middleton, Moore, Oliver, Plympton, Roland, Sheppard, Terrell, Turner, Wells, Willis, Wilson—31.

A quorum present.

Senate Bill No. 104 was taken up in its order and the consideration of the same was temporarily passed over.

Senate Bill No. 164 was taken up in its order and the consideration of the same was temporarily passed over.

Senate Bill No. 168 was taken up in its order and the consideration of the same was temporarily passed over.

Senate Bill No. 223:

A Bill to be entitled An Act fixing the compensation of all county officials now paid in whole or in part on the basis of fees or commissions.

Was taken up and read the second time.

Mr. Wells moved to waive the rules and that the Senate take up and consider Senate Bill No. 283 in conjunction with Senate Bill No. 223.

Which was agreed to by a two-thirds vote.

And—

Senate Bill No. 283:

A Bill to be entitled An Act to fix and limit the amount of salaries and compensation of Clerks of Courts, Sheriffs, Tax Assessors, Tax Collectors, County Judges, County Solicitors, Prosecuting Attorneys and Justices of the Peace in all Counties of the State of Florida; to provide for the accounting, payment, deposit and disbursement of all fees collected by such officers, and to authorize the Board of County Commissioners to adopt and enforce rules and regulations to enforce the provisions of this Act.

Was taken up and read the second time.

Mr. Johnson moved to make the further consideration a special order for 11 o'clock A. M. tomorrow.

Which was agreed to.

Mr. Johnson moved that the Senate do now adjourn.

Which was agreed to.

Thereupon the Senate stood adjourned to 10 o'clock A. M. Thursday, May 10, 1917.